

City of Norfolk
Virginia

Proclamation

***WHEREAS**, equal housing opportunities are essential for supporting vibrant communities and economic vitality in the City of Norfolk, and barriers to housing, no matter how subtle, are unacceptable and illegal; and*

***WHEREAS**, the federal Fair Housing Act - a component of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 - guarantees the right of all citizens to equal housing opportunities free from discrimination based on race, religion, national origin, sex, disability or family status; and*

***WHEREAS**, April 2014 marks the 42nd Anniversary of the Virginia Fair Housing Law which affords even greater opportunities and ensures equitable treatment of older Virginians by prohibiting age-based discrimination; and*

***WHEREAS**, continuous outreach efforts are being made to encourage citizen support, awareness and knowledge of fair housing, and to help eliminate housing discrimination so that all can live in a society free from racial, ethnic, religious and disability-linked barriers.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL D. FRAIM, Mayor of the City of Norfolk, do hereby proclaim April 2014 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the City of Norfolk, and call upon all citizens to support the commitment of Fair Housing for all.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of March 2014.



Paul D. Frain
PAUL D. FRAIM, MAYOR